

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

- IN RE APPLICATION OF: Masaaki OGURA

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SERIAL NO: New Application

EXAMINER:

- FILED: Herewith

FOR: IMAGE FORMING DEVICE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231



SIR:

- ☐ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number, filed, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.
- ☐ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number, filed, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
- ☒ Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
- Japan	2000-022928	January 31, 2000
Japan	2001-005675	January 12, 2001

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)


- ☐ are submitted herewith
- ☒ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- ☐ were filed in prior application Serial No. filed
- ☐ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number .  
Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- ☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and  
(B) Application Serial No.(s)
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**UTILITY  
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202561US2

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Title

IMAGE FORMING DEVICE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

ADDRESS TO:

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g. PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)

2. ☒ Specification Total Sheets **76**

3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) Total Sheets **19**  
(Formals)

4. ☒ Oath or Declaration Total Pages **3**

a. ☒ Newly executed (original)

b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. §1.63(d))  
(for continuation / divisional w/ box 16 completed)

i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in  
the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §1.63(d)(2) and  
1.33(b).

5. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer  
Program (Appendix)

6. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)

a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)

b. Specification or Sequence Listing on:

i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or

ii. ☐ Paper

c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

7. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))  
8. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76  
9. ☐ 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)  
10. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)  
11. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations  
12. ☐ Preliminary Amendment  
13. ☒ White Advance Serial No. Postcard  
14. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)  
15. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27  
16. ☒ Other: Notice of Priority, IDS/Related/List of Related Cases, Cited Pending Applications (3)

17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application no.:

Prior application information: Examiner:

Group Art Unit:

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered a part of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

18. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

☐ This application is a ☐ Continuation ☐ Division ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)  
of application Serial No. Filed on

☐ Which was published in English

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☐ This application claims priority of provisional application Serial No.

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